

VILLAGE HALL 50/100 CLUBS

Pauntley Village Hall refurbishment committee has been considering ways of local fundraising to raise monies towards refurbishment costs, and also to demonstrate to any funding bodies that money towards these costs is also being actively raised within the parish.

A number of village halls run a 100 or 50 Club, which is a Private Society Lottery, where participants pay an annual amount for a number and a draw takes place at intervals such as 4 times a year. Of the monies raised, 50% will typically go in monetary prizes, usually 3 or 4 prizes per draw, and the remaining 50% towards hall funds. Numbers are either paid for monthly or annually in advance. Smart phones have a random number generator which can be used.

No licence is required from the Gambling Commission or local licensing authority, but there are rules which have to be followed, such as restrictions on how it is advertised and a requirement for draws to be held in public (such as at the AGM or at events at the hall).

Some examples of local clubs are:

- Kempley Village Hall's 50 club charges £24 p.a., payable by direct debit or PayPal. Draws take place monthly.
- Upleadon's 100 club charges £15 p.a., payable in advance. Draws take place 4 times a year.
- Corse and Staunton have a 100 club and charge £12 p.a. Draw is monthly. Payment is in advance by cheque or via PayPal.
- Oxenhall have a 100 club and draw 2 prizes monthly

If the decision is made to set up such a club, we would need to draw up a set of rules (there are plenty online to adapt) and publicise it. For Private Society Lotteries, individuals cannot be approached directly but advertising would be on the website and in the parish magazine, and also by word of mouth at events. We would also need to decide:

- Whether we think we could get 100 subscribers or that 50 might be more likely. It might be that a 100 Club charging £12 p.a. would attract more members than a 50 Club charging £24 p.a.
- How and when payment is to be made.
- Frequency of draws. Four times a year is suggested, and we could use village hall events and perhaps the APM for this.
- The percentage of draw proceeds to be allocated to the monetary prizes and to hall funds. A 50% split is the norm.

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